

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Ingo Uckelmann, et al.

Application No.: 10/590,677

Group No.: 3742

Filed: 10/24/2006

Examiner: Jennison, Brian

For: Method and Device Used to Produce a Set of Control Data for Producing Products by Free-Form Sintering and/or Melting, in Addition to a Device for the Production Thereof

**Mail Stop Amendment**

**Commissioner for Patents**

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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith are Preliminary Remarks in Response to Interview for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is a small entity.

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

|   | (Col. 1)                                  | (Col. 2)                              | (Col. 3)         | SMALL ENTITY        |               |  |      |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------|--|------|
|   | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | RATE                | ADDIT.<br>FEE |  |      |
| TOTAL                                     | 16  | — 20                                  | = 0              | x \$ 26.00          | = \$          |  | 0.00 |
| INDEP.                                    | 3   | — 3                                   | = 0              | x \$ 110.00         | = \$          |  | 0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM |   |                                       |                  | + \$ 0.00           | = \$          |  | 0.00 |
|   |   |                                       |                  | TOTAL<br>ADDIT. FEE | \$            |  | 0.00 |

No additional fee for claims is required.

**FEE DEFICIENCY**

5. If an additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 19-4972.

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| Applicant:   | Uckelmann, et al.   | Atty Dkt: | 3059A/106    |
| Serial No:   | 10/590,677  | Art Unit: | 3742         |
| Filing Date: | October 24, 2006  | Examiner: | Jennison, B. |
| Invention:   | <b>Method and Device Used to Produce<br/>a Set of Control Data for Producing<br/>Products by Free-Form Sintering<br/>and/or Melting, in Addition to a Device<br/>for the Production Thereof</b> | Date:     | May 11, 2011 |

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**PRELIMINARY REMARKS IN RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW**

Dear Sir:

Upon receiving the Advisory Action dated March 2, 2011, Applicants' counsel spoke with Examiner Jennison about the expected allowance. The Examiner identified two prior art references that convinced him to require an RCE instead. The two references, US Patent No. 5,238,639 (Vinson et al.) and US20020059049 (Bradbury et al.), are discussed in the below remarks.

**A Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7.